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SUBJECT:PROPOSED KENYAN SECURITY ASSISTANCE DISCUSSIONS

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1. SECURITY ASSISTANCE ACTIONS OUTLINED REFTTEL A HAVE  
PROGRESSED TO STAGE WHERE WE BELIEVE EMBASSY AND GOK  
WOULD BENEFIT FROM DETAILED BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSIONS  
WITH STATE/DOD REPRESENTATIVES. (FYI: PRESIDENTIAL  
DETERMINATION MAKING KENYA ELIGIBLE FOR FMS CREDIT NOW  
BEING PROCESSED. FINAL ACTION ON FY 75 SECURITY  
ASSISTANCE APPROPRIATIONS TO INCLUDE COUNTRY ALLOCATIONS  
ON FY 75 SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNDS ALSO EXPECTED BE TAKEN  
IN NEAR FUTURE. END FYI) WHILE REPRESENTATIVES COULD  
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ARRIVE IN APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS, WE BELIEVE, GIVEN

CURRENT TENSIONS IN KENYA IN AFTERMATH OF KARIUKI ASSASSINATION & DESIRABILITY OF AVOIDING ANY ASSOCIATION OF VISIT OF US TEAM WITH THAT PROBLEM, IT WOULD BE PREFERABLE FOR TEAM TO DELAY VISIT UNTIL LATER IN APRIL. WE WILL, OF COURSE, BE GUIDED BY EMBASSY'S VIEWS IN THIS MATTER.

2. SUBJECTS PROPOSED FOR BRIEFINGS AND DISCUSSIONS INCLUDE POSSIBLE PURCHASE OF IRANIAN EXCESS FMS F5A'S; F5B AVAILABILITY; ASSOCIATE AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SUPPORT, INCLUDING AVIATION GROUND EQUIPMENT AND SPARES AND FEASIBILITY OF

USING CONTRACTOR MAINTENANCE SUPPORT; OPTIONS FOR F5 PILOT, MAINTENANCE, AND TRAINING PROGRAMS; TPS-43D RADAR PROGRAM, INCLUDING SALE, TRAINING, AND MAINTENANCE SUPPORT ARRANGEMENTS; POSSIBLE FY 76 MAP TRAINING PROGRAM; DOCUMENTS AUTHORIZING MAP AND FMS CREDIT TRANSACTIONS; AND DEFINITION OF KENYAN REQUIREMENTS THAT ARE LIKELY TO BE PRESENTED FORMALLY TO USG.

3. OBJECTIVE OF VISIT IS TO EXCHANGE FACTS AND INFORMATION WITH EMBASSY AND GOK FOR PLANNING PURPOSES ONLY. WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES WILL NOT BE AUTHORIZED TO ENTER GOVERNMENT-TO-GOVERNMENT AGREEMENTS OR TO COMMIT THE USG TO UNDERTAKE THE PROVISION OF SPECIFIC MILITARY EQUIPMENT OR THE ALLOCATION OF SECURITY ASSISTANCE FUNDS.

4. SUBJECT TO AMBASSADOR'S APPROVAL, AND FOLLOWING DETAILED BRIEFING ON ALL PROGRAMS TO AMBASSADOR AND EMBASSY OFFICERS, WASHINGTON REPRESENTATIVES WILL BE PREPARED TO HOLD DISCUSSIONS WITH KENYAN DEFENSE OFFICIALS TO OBTAIN SPECIFIC AND TECHNICAL DETAILS NEEDED TO FULLY UNDERSTAND AND ASSESS KENYAN REQUIREMENTS AND TO PROVIDE AMPLIFYING INFORMATION ON ANY PARTICULAR TECHNICAL QUESTION RAISED BY KENYAN OFFICIALS.

5. FOLLOWING ARE NAMES OF PROPOSED REPRESENTATIVES; DOD/ISA - COL NOLAN SIGLER, USA; DOD/DSAA - COL JAMES DAVIS, USAF; STATE/AF - LTCOL JOHN M. COYKENDALL, USM; MAJOR MARCUS BIRDSON, USAF; HQS USAF.

6. BRITISH ASSESSMENT OF KENYAN NEEDS IS NOW BEING RECONFIDENTIAL

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VIEWED BY WASHINGTON AGENCIES BUT CANNOT BE ARBITRARILY ACCEPTED AS A DEFINITIVE AND VALID ASSESSMENT FROM THE U.S. VIEWPOINT.

WHILE U.S. DESIROUS OF BEING RESPONSIVE TO KENYAN PERCEPTION OF NEED, IT IS IMPERATIVE THAT ANY PROGRAM BE MILITARILY AND ECONOMICALLY FEASIBLE IN FULL CONSIDERATION OF U.S. AND KENYAN REALITIES. GOK SHOULD BE AWARE, OF

COURSE, THAT THERE ARE DISTINCT FINANCIAL LIMITATIONS TO ASSISTANCE WE MIGHT BE ABLE TO PROVIDE.

7. REQUEST EMBASSY VIEWS ON DESIRABILITY AND TIMING OF VISIT.

8. REFTEL C SUGGESTED THAT MOI AND KIBAKI WOULD BE PREPARED TO STOP OFF WASHINGTON FOR MILITARY ASSISTANCE TALKS FOLLOWING COMMONWEALTH SUMMIT MEETING IN JAMAICA, APRIL 29-MAY 6. WE ARE APPRECIATIVE OF AND SHARE MOI'S DESIRE TO MOVE AHEAD WITH PROGRAM. IT IS OUR STRONG

VIEW, HOWEVER, THAT TEAM VISIT PROPOSED ABOVE FOR FULL RANGE OF DISCUSSIONS AND EXPLORATION OF POSSIBLE U.S. ASSISTANCE WITH PERTINENT GOK DEFENSE OFFICIALS WOULD BE MUCH MORE USEFUL THAN HIGH-LEVEL TALKS WITH KENYAN VICE PRESIDENT IN WASHINGTON. KISSINGER

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